

# *City of Alexandria, Virginia*

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## **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: FEBRUARY 2, 2011

TO: MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: ABI LERNER, P.E. DEPUTY DIRECTOR, T&ES

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM #2 - FUNDING UPDATE & ACTIONS OF MAJOR  
TRANSPORTATION BODIES

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**ISSUE:** Update of Funding and actions of major Transportation bodies.

**RECOMMENDATION:** No Action is required. Information only.

**DISCUSSION:**

This memorandum provides a brief monthly update on funding and/or actions of major regional transportation bodies that relate to Alexandria.

General updates on funding-related issues of local, regional and national importance are provided below. Attachment 1 is the Commission's regular Monthly Update of Regional Transportation Board Major Actions and Funding.

**City: City Council**

City Council held a work session with staff where an Alexandria plan for WMATA governance was developed. City Council passed a resolution endorsing a FY12 Ridesharing grant. The FY 2012 budget will be presented to Council at their February 8, 2011 meeting.

**State: Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB)**

The Commonwealth Transportation Board has an Alexandria request to reprogram some funds. This includes the transfer of \$1 million from the Clermont Connector to the Potomac Yard project.

**Regional: Transportation Planning Board (TPB) and Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA), Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) , Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) and Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC)**

*Transportation Planning Board (TPB)*

MWCOG and the Washington Board of Trade released a report recommending measures which were required to implement the recommendations their report made in December, 2010.

*Washington Area Transit Authority (WMATA)*

The WMATA Board met on January 27, 2011 and approved the appointment of Richard Sarles as the permanent WMATA Chief Executive Officer. Several new Board members were also appointed by various jurisdictions in the WMATA compact.

*Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC)*

NVTC representatives and the Commonwealth of Virginia did not come to a resolution regarding the appointment of Board members on the WMATA Board after a discussion in January, 2011.

*Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA)*

A NVTA meeting was held in January 2011, and several projects in Alexandria were advanced as possible candidates for funds discovered by VDOT auditors. The NVTA was also briefed on the Governor's Transportation package. A proposal to combine NVTA, NVTC, and PRTC was also discussed.

**Federal: Funding Updates and Grant Notices of Awards**

None

**Attachment 1:** Monthly Update of Non-Federal Transportation Board Major Actions & Funding